

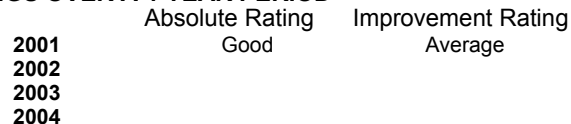
ABSOLUTE RATING: Good

IMPROVEMENT RATING: Average

Number of Elementary schools with students like ours: 90.

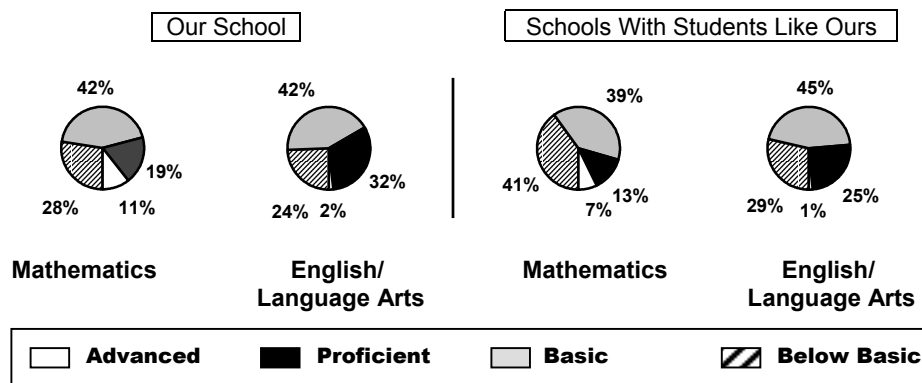
The absolute ratings for those schools ranged from below average to good. For improvement ratings, the range was from unsatisfactory to excellent.

RATINGS OVER A 4-YEAR PERIOD



(Definitions of School Rating Terms on Page 4)

PALMETTO ACHIEVEMENT CHALLENGE TESTS (PACT) RESULTS



DEFINITIONS OF CRITICAL TERMS:

- Advanced** – Student performance exceeded expectations.
- Proficient** – Student performance met expectations.
- Basic** – Student performance met minimum performance expectations.
- Below Basic** – Student performance did not meet minimum performance expectations.

Science scores are to be reported on the 2004 School Report Card. Social studies scores are to be reported on the 2005 School Report Card.

PERCENT OF STUDENTS SCORING BASIC OR ABOVE ON THE PACT				
Student Group	English/ Language Arts	Math	Science	Social Studies
All students (n=189)	75.7	72.5	N/A	N/A
Students with disabilities other than Speech (n=13)	N/A	N/A		
Students without disabilities (n=176)	79.5	75.6		
Gender				
Male (n=103)	66	62.1		
Female (n=86)	87.2	84.9		
Ethnic Group				
African American (n=102)	69.6	67.6		
Hispanic (n=1)	N/A	N/A		
White (n=85)	82.4	77.6		
Other (n=1)	N/A	N/A		
Lunch Status Group				
Free/reduced-price Lunch (n=128)	68.8	66.4		
Pay for lunch (n=61)	90.2	85.2		

SCHOOL PROFILE

INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

SCHOOL	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median Elementary School
• Dollars spent per student	\$6,001	N/A	\$5,457	\$5,347
• Prime instructional time	89.1%	Down from 92.6%	90.2%	90.2%
• Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	19.7 to 1	N/A	18.3 to 1	18.7 to 1
STUDENTS (n=420)				
• Attendance Rate	96.2%	Down from 96.5%	96.1%	96.2%
• Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (ELA) off grade level	6.3%	N/A	5.8%	4.1%
• Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (math) off grade level	6.3%	N/A	5.2%	3.1%
• First graders who attended full day kindergarten	98.6%	Up from 95.5%	97.2%	96.3%
• Meeting grade 1 and 2 readiness standards	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
• Retention rate	2.9%	Up from 0.8%	4.5%	3.6%
TEACHERS (n=35)				
• Professional Development days per teacher	7.8 Days	Up from 6	7.4 Days	7.6 days
• Attendance Rate	93.6%	Down from 96.6%	95.1%	95.1%
• Teachers with advanced degrees	45.7%	Up from 44.1%	43.3%	47.7%
• Continuing contract teachers	97.1%	Down from 100%	83.2%	83.8%
• Teachers with out-of-field permits	0%	No change	0%	0.0%
• Teachers returning from the previous school year	90.3%	Down from 91.1%	86.4%	87.2%
• Average teacher salary	\$40,073	Up 7.5%	\$36,404	\$37,520

SCHOOL FACTS

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median Elementary School
SCHOOL				
• Percentage of expenditures spent on teacher salaries	68.9%	N/A	65.3%	65.3%
• Principal's years at the school	10	N/A	4	4.0
• Parents attending conferences	99%	N/A	96.5%	95.6%
• Opportunities in the arts	Good	N/A	Good	Good
STUDENTS				
• On academic plans	45.7%	Up from 23.4%	53.7%	43.1%
• On academic probation	0%	N/A	0%	0.0%
• Older than usual for grade	0.5%	Up from 0%	1.6%	1.1%
• Suspended or expelled	3	N/A	2	1
• Gifted and talented	12.3%	Up from 11.3%	8.4%	11.5%
• With disabilities other than speech	6.8%	No change	9.9%	8.4%



PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

Claude A. Taylor Elementary School has been proud to serve your child this year. Our students have worked hard both academically and artistically. We have all been engaged in a number of activities and we are proud to announce our accomplishments.

- NINE STAFF MEMBERS ARE PARTICIPATING IN THE SC READING INITIATIVE PROGRAM.
- SIX TEACHERS HAVE APPLIED FOR THE NATIONAL BOARDS CERTIFICATION.
- SECOND GRADE IS PILOTING "LIGHTSPAN," A TAKE-HOME SONY PLAYSTATION PROGRAM IN READING AND MATH.
- A TAYLOR STUDENT WAS 3RD GRADE REGIONAL WINNER IN THE FAIR HOUSING POSTER CONTEST.
- ELEVEN 5TH GRADE STUDENTS RECEIVED THE PRESIDENTIAL AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE.
- SEVENTEEN 5TH GRADE STUDENTS RECEIVED THE PRESIDENTIAL AWARD FOR ACHIEVEMENT.
- THREE TEACHERS RECEIVED SCIRA GRANTS FOR THEIR CLASS.
- 59 STUDENTS PARTICIPATED IN OUR "B OR BETTER" HONOR ROLL BANQUET.

Our school, in collaboration with Brookland Cayce High School, participated in the Teacher Cadet and Service Learning Programs. Brookland Cayce High School sent eight Teacher Cadets and five Service Learning students to our school for 9 weeks to work with teachers and students. Through our Guidance Program, 30 community agencies and businesses participated in our Career Day program.

Our PTA raised funds to purchase new Orph instruments for our Music program and a new sound system for our cafeteria. 185 families participated in our Family Reading Night Sweepstakes, while 325 parents and students participated in our Camp Learn-A-Lot. Grandparent's Day saw nearly 200 grandparents and other relatives visit our school. Ms. Rosa Lee Rogers received the District's Employee of the Year Award for Sodexo/Marriott.

Claude A. Taylor believes in its motto, "SUCCESS IS TAYLOR MADE." We will continue to strive to provide your child with the best education possible.

Dean Crabtree, Principal

EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

Percent	Teachers	Students	Parents
Satisfied with learning environment	97.4	83.3	(Avail. 2002)
Satisfied with social and physical environment	97.4	90.9	
Satisfied with home-school relations	82.1	85.5	

DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

Excellent – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Good – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Average – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Below Average – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Unsatisfactory – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

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Grades K-5 Elementary School

Enrollment: 420 Students

Principal

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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Annual School
Report Card

2001

School Grade:
Good



South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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